HAMATEUR CHATTER
The Milwaukee Radio Amateurs' Club, Inc.
The World's Oldest Continuously Active Radio Amateur Club

Holiday Greetings

December 1979

NOTICE IMPORTANT NOTICE - Due to rescheduling of the hall, our January, February, March, April, May, June, September and October regular meetings will be held on the 1st Thursday of the month. In November 1980 we will return to our 3rd Thursday.

MRAC REGULAR MEETING: 7:30 PM, Thursday, January 3, 1980, at Wauwatosa Savings and Loan Building at 7500 West State Street. Visitors are always welcome. Plenty of free parking.

ELECTRONIC NEWS GATHERING EQUIPMENT will be the subject of the presentation of Mr. Marvin Regenaur of Channel-4 Television. Mr. Regenaur is the WTMJ-TV engineer who does the maintainence on the electronic news gathering equipment and will be able to field all your questions. Live camera, monitor and slides will be shown. Time permitting, we will project the slides Al Belanger made of our latest Mayfair Mall Ham Radio Show.

QST QST If you have not seen the December 1979 issue, be sure to do so. Lovely article on Pages 70, 71 and 72 about MRAC is the direct result of our promotion of the 60th anniversary of our clubs affiliation with the League. December 1979 QST and our new plaque may be seen at the January 3rd meeting.

START THE NEW YEAR RIGHT - Attend your clubs first 1980 meeting.

MRAC LICENSE CLASSES Spring 1980 sessions begin on Wednesday March 14th, 1980. Classe will be held for Novice and for General/ Technician grade applicants. If interested, get on Florence W9WYJ Belanger's mailing list to receive full details when the application forms are ready.

MRAC OLD TIMERS NITE, Wednesday, December 5, 1979, was indeed a festive occasion with the Pabst Blue Ribbon Hall decorated with two Christmas trees, a huge wreath, white table cloths and red poinsettia plants on the tables. With the hall filled to capacity we were served a delicious buffet dinner by Carl's Catering. On December 5, 1919, MRAC first became affiliated with the young American Radio Relay League and our dinner celebrated the completion of sixty years! The League was represented by ARRL Treasurer John Huntoon W1RW, Central Division Director Don Miller W9NTP and Vice Director Kenneth Ebneter K9EN. Mr. Huntoon presented our club with a special plaque, voted by the Board of Directors of ARRL, to mark our 60th and then gave us an interesting report of the progress of the World Administrative Radio Conference. Pabst Brewing, always the generous host, served their delicious beers thruout the entire evening. We assembled our school teachers and aides and presented each of them with one of the plants that decorated the tables, as a small token of recognition of the large ammount of work they perform for the club. Mr. Huntoon commented that he attends many ham affairs but the presentation to the teachers was the finest gesture he has seen. Don Miller said: "Best food I've ever had at a ham event"! We were honored by the presence of three of our early Presidents, Herbert Wareing W9NY 1922, Charles Polacheck W9DTK 1925 and Don Seibel W9ESF 1928.

COMING MRAC ANNUAL DINNER PARTY - Heidel's - Noon - Saturday, May 3, 1980! Can you afford to miss this one? Mark your calendar.

MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN 2nd VP Steve Schwendtner WB9ZKT hereby appoints every MRAC to his committee and asks that you put the enclosed blank to work. Get a new member.

LIFE MEMBERS who have made their donations for the current, 1979-1980 season are thanked for their liberal assistance. THANKS!

MEMBERS desiring an additional copy of the new MRAC Roster (actual cost one dollar) can have one for half price, fifty cents at meetings, eighty cents by mail. Mail orders go to Florence Belanger W9WYJ.